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SUBJECT: JAPANESE AID TO VIETNAM

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1. VICE FOREIGN MINISTER ARITA TOLD AMBASSADOR APRIL 6
THAT GOJ HAD RECENTLY SIGNED "AGREED RECORD OF DISCUSSION"
CONCERNING JAPANESE AID TO SRV. TERMS AS DESCRIBED BY
ARITA GENERALLY CORRESPOND TO INFORMATION REFTEL. GOJ
WOULD PROVIDE 4 BILLION YEN PER YEAR FOR FOUR YEARS IN
GRANTS. IN ADDITION, THERE WOULD BE TWO PROJECT
ASSISTANCE PACKAGES, EACH FOR 10 BILLION YEN OVER TWO
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YEARS. FOUR-YEAR TOTAL WOULD THUS BE 16 BILLION YEN IN GRANT AID AND 20 BILLION IN PROJECT AID. IN RETURN, SRV HAD AGREED TO REPAY EQUIVALENT OF 22 BILLION YEN IN DEBTS INCURRED BY FORMER GVN.

2. ARITA SAID THESE ARRANGEMENTS WOULD BE IMPLEMENTED IN GRADUAL, LOW-KEY MANNER. OVERALL SCOPE OF AGREEMENT WOULD

NOT BE PUBLICIZED, AND AT THIS POINT WAS NOT WIDELY KNOWN WITHIN GOJ. ACCORDINGLY, ARITA ASKED THAT WE HOLD INFORMATION CLOSELY. MANSFIELD

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